

## **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission** 

[Project No. 14583-000]

ECOsponsible, Inc.: Notice of Preliminary Permit Application Accepted for Filing and Soliciting Comments, Motions to Intervene, and Competing Applications

On February 3, 2014, ECOsponsible, Inc filed an application for a preliminary permit, pursuant to section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act (FPA), proposing to study the feasibility of the Caughdenoy Lock Hydro Project (Caughdenoy Project or project) to be located on the Oneida River, near the Town of Clay, in Onondaga County, New York. The sole purpose of a preliminary permit, if issued, is to grant the permit holder priority to file a license application during the permit term. A preliminary permit does not authorize the permit holder to perform any land-disturbing activities or otherwise enter upon lands or waters owned by others without the owners' express permission.

The proposed project would consist of the following: (1) An existing abandoned steam ship canal at the Caughdenoy dam; (2) three turbines for a total installed capacity of 3,000-kilowatts; (3) a new 50-foot-long transmission line from the powerhouse to an existing 15-kilovolt grid connection point located adjacent to county Highway #33; and (4) appurtenant facilities. The estimated annual generation of the Caughdenoy Project would be 13,446 megawatt-hours.

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Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, competing applications (without notices of intent), or notices of intent to file competing applications: 60 days from the issuance of this notice. Competing applications and notices of intent must meet the requirements of 18 CFR 4.36.

The Commission strongly encourages electronic filing. Please file comments, motions to intervene, notices of intent, and competing applications using the Commission's eFiling system at <a href="http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp">http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp</a>.

Commenters can submit brief comments up to 6,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at <a href="http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ecomment.asp">http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ecomment.asp</a>. You must include your name and contact information at the end of your comments. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support at <a href="mailto:FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov">FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov</a>, (866) 208-3676 (toll free), or (202) 502-8659 (TTY). In lieu of electronic filing, please send a paper copy to: Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426. The first page of any filing should include docket number P-14583-000.

More information about this project, including a copy of the application, can be viewed or printed on the "eLibrary" link of the Commission's website at

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Dated: April 29, 2014.

Kimberly D. Bose,

Secretary.

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